



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a lovely weekend.

This week is Children's Mental Health Week and further information about the activities that the children can take part in at home and at school will be sent out to you by our PSHE Lead. Class teachers will also send out information on the Dojo Class pages.

The Oak National Academy and BAFTA have put together an assembly to start off the week and you can watch this with your child at home by clicking on the following link:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/assemblies/childrens-mental-health-week-2021>

As mentioned previously, we want to do all we can to support parents with home learning. It is important to remember that everyone's situation at home is different so you must please do what works for you and your family. If you need any help or advice with home learning, please contact your child's class teacher via Dojo.

As promised Bug Club log in details will be with you later this week and teachers will publish information about this on their Class pages in Dojo.

We will now be doing a weekly newsletter on a Monday. Senior leaders in school have discussed this and believe it is important, especially during lockdown, to ensure parents have the most up to date messages at the start of the week. Certificates will also be awarded on a weekly basis. Mrs Wall and Miss Pullen will be doing a weekly notice in the newsletter with updates relevant to the areas they oversee in school.

Next week we will be starting remote whole school assemblies / collective worship, and these will be reflected on class timetables. They will be recorded so if you aren't able to join at the allotted time, there's no need to worry as you can access them at a time that suits you.

I hope you all have a great week.

Kind regards,
Mrs Richmond,
Interim Headteacher



Little Stars!

This week we are celebrating the achievements of the following children who have received awards for exceptional work and wonderful behaviour or attitude to learning.

Head Teacher's Award

- Elija
- Joseph
- Samuel
- Harry B
- Kori
- Emirali
- Eva H
- Ella W
- Amelia
- Alysia

Class Teacher's Award

- Jenson
- Nathan
- Sienna S
- Aurelia
- Oscar B
- Thomas Cu
- Millie
- Harley
- Max
- Betsy
- Griffin

A very well done to these children!

Mrs Churchman

On Friday 5th February Mrs Churchman will be retiring after 18 years as the Caretaker of our school. We would like to thank Mrs Churchman for her dedication and wonderful service to the school. She will be greatly missed by all the staff, children and parents.

We wish her well in her retirement.

School Lunches

Week commencing 1st February we will be on **Week 2** of the dinner menu.

Please see overleaf for highlighted changes this week.

Reminders

What to do if a member of your household is showing COVID symptoms

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

(Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.)

This is a reminder of guidelines sent out earlier in the autumn.

- The person showing symptoms should request a test and the entire household must self-isolate at home pending the test result.
- This means that you should keep your children at home until the result is received. Please inform the school on the first day of absence.
- If the test result is positive your whole household must continue to self-isolate until the date advised by the NHS. Please advise us of this date.
- Please keep in communication with the school and inform us if any other member of your household develops symptoms and subsequently has a positive test result, as this could impact on our school bubbles.
- If the result is negative we ask that you send your child back to school as soon as possible. Please send them in on the day that the result is received if that is practical, or on the next day if that is not feasible. If your child is the one who had the negative result they can return as soon as they are well enough. Please inform the school of the negative test result.

Please follow these guidelines very carefully to help us keep our community safe.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Time
	Spring Term	
12th February 2021	Last day of term before the start of the half term holiday	Approximate finish 3.00pm
22nd February 2021	INSET Day—school closed to children	All day
Thursday 1st April 2021	Last day of spring term	Approximate finish 1.10pm (to be confirmed)
	Summer Term	
19th April	Start of Summer Term	8.45—9.00am
3rd May	May Day Bank Holiday	
28 May	Last day of term before the start of the half term holiday	Approximate finish 3.00pm
7th June	INSET Day—school closed to children	All day
Wednesday 21st July	Last day of summer term	Approximate finish 1.10pm (to be confirmed)

Inset Days 2020/21:

22nd February 2021

7th June 2021

(one more inset day still to be confirmed)